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SUBJECT: COCOM SERVICING PROCEDURES

REF: (A) STATE 109401, (B) PARIS 5993

1. AT MAY 2 COCOM MEETING USDEL PROVIDED COMMITTEE WITH QUESTIONS CONTAINED IN REF A INDICATING THAT THE U.S. WOULD LIKE TO HAVE RESPONSES TO THESE QUESTIONS TO ASSIST IT IN ASSESSING THE CANADIAN PROPOSAL, COCOM DOC. PROC 3.5. WITH REGARD TO THE FIRST QUESTION THE U.K. DELEGATE INDICATED THAT WHEN HIS AUTHORITIES HAD RAISED THE ISSUE WHAT THEY HAD IN MIND WAS RECOGNIZED SERVICING KITS MADE UP BY MANUFACTURERS TO SERVICE SPECIFIC MODELS OF EQUIPMENT. CANADIAN DEL INDICATED THAT HE WOULD REFER QUESTIONS TO HIS AUTHORITIES AND CHAIRMAN SUGGESTED THAT ALL DELEGATIONS ATTEMPT TO REPLY TO THE U.S. QUESTIONS.

2. JAPAN DEL HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS ON CANADIAN PROPOSAL BUT INDICATED HIS AUTHORITIES PROPOSED THAT THE VALUE CUT-OFF IN PARAGRAPH 9 OF COCOM DOC. REG (77)1 CHAPTER CONFIDENTIAL

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B BE RAISED FROM \$6000 TO \$10,000. DUTCH DEL AGREED TO THIS JAPANESE PROPOSAL AD REFERENDUM. HE ALSO STATED THAT SINCE SERVICING WAS UNDER DISCUSSION COMMITTEE SHOULD NOT LOSE SIGHT OF THE BELGIAN PROPOSAL REGARDING THE RECONDITIONING OF EQUIPMENT IN COCOM DOC (77)3 WHICH THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES CAN NOW APPROVE.

3. ITALIAN DEL INDICATED HIS AUTHORITIES COULD ACCEPT CANADIAN PROPOSAL BUT BELIEVED THAT COMMITTEE SHOULD MAKE CLEAR BEFORE THIS PROVISION ENTERED IN TO FORCE JUST WHAT INFORMATION SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN THE MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORTS TO ENSURE THAT THE SERVICING KITS WOULD NOT IMPROVE THE INITIAL TECHNICAL PERFORMANCE OF THE EQUIPMENT. ITALIAN AUTHORITIES BELIEVE THAT IF PARAGRAPH 9(F) PROPOSED BY CANADIAN DEL WAS ADOPTED, PRESENT 9(D) SHOULD BE AMENDED BY DELETION OF WORDS "WHICH IT HAS ITSELF PREVIOUSLY EXPORTED."

4. BELGIAN DEL STATED THAT WHAT WAS REQUIRED IS AGREEMENT ON THE CANADIAN PROPOSAL ON SERVICING AND ON BELGIAN PROPOSAL ON RECONDITIONING SINCE THERE SEEMED LITTLE POINT IN ALLOWING EXPORT TO PROSCRIBED DESTINATION OF SERVICING KIT BY MEMBER COUNTRY OTHER THAN THE COUNTRY HAVING EXPORTED THE ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT IF AT SAME TIME AN EQUIPMENT COULD NOT BE RETURNED FOR SERVICING TO THE COUNTRY HAVING EXPORTED IT. BELGIAN DEL NOTED THAT AT PRESENT THERE WERE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS TAKING PLACE BETWEEN THE BELGIAN AND U.A. AUTHOR-

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ITIES REGARDING RECONDITIONING (REF. B) AND THAT HE HOPED TO BE ABLE TO RETURN TO THE MATTER OF RECONDITIONING IN THE COMMITTEE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

5. FRENCH DEL INDICATED HIS AUTHORITIES COULD AGREE

TO CANADIAN PROPOSAL.

6. BOTH NETHERLANDS AND GERMAN DELS EXPRESSED BELIEF THAT QUESTIONS RAISED BY U.S. APPEARED TO GO BEYOND THE SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION, E.G., BY RAISING QUESTION OF WHETHER PARTS REPLACED IN SERVICING WOULD BE RETURNED TO COCOM COUNTRY OR LEFT IN PROSCRIBED COUNTRY.

7. ACTION REQUESTED: FOR NEXT DISCUSSION ON SERVICING TO BE HELD AT COCOM MEETING MAY 23, REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS FOR RESPONDING TO JAPANESE PROPOSAL OUTLINED PARA 2 ABOVE. USDEL ALSO URGENTLY REQUESTS RESPONSE TO REF B (DATED FEB. 22) ON RECONDITIONING. AS INDICATED ABOVE, BELGIAN AUTHORITIES ARE LINKING QUESTIONS OF RECONDITIONING AND SERVICING AND USDEL WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE BELGIANS WITH USG RESPONSE TO SUGGESTED PROCEDURE OUTLINED IN THAT CABLE. KATZ
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